

INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

Amend Commission Regulation 1053

The Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) proposes to amend Regulation 1053 – Requirements for Self-Paced Training Course Certification:

- The current regulation does not indicate the minimum number of hours that may be approved for self-paced learning courses. This recommended regulatory change clarifies the minimum standards for self-paced learning courses.

Justification for Proposed Revisions

As part of an ongoing process, staff reviews regulations and procedures relating to course certification to determine if revisions are necessary. Currently, there is no POST regulation language indicating the minimum number of hours that may be certified for self-paced training courses. This regulation change clarifies the standard by setting the minimum number of hours that may be certified by adding language stating “Certified courses may be approved in hourly increments of at least one hour or more.”

Business Impact/Small Businesses

The Commission has made an initial determination that this regulatory proposal would have no significant statewide adverse economic impact directly affecting California businesses, including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states. The proposal does not affect small businesses, as defined by Government Code section 11342.610, because the Commission sets selection and training standards for law enforcement, which are government entities, and does not have an impact on California businesses, including small businesses.

Additionally, the Commission’s main function to select and maintain training standards for law enforcement has no effect financially on either California businesses competing with other businesses in other states and small businesses.

Cost Impacts on Representative Private Persons or Businesses

The Commission on POST is not aware of any cost impacts that a representative private person or business would necessarily incur in reasonable compliance with this proposed action.

Assessment

The adoption of the proposed regulation amendments will neither create nor eliminate jobs in the State of California and will not result in the elimination of existing businesses or create or expand businesses in the State of California.

Consideration of Alternatives

The Commission determined that no reasonable alternative considered by the Commission or that has otherwise been identified and brought to the attention of the Commission would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed, would be as effective, and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed action, or would be more cost-effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provisions of the law.

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Benefits Anticipated

The benefits of proposed amendments to the regulation will increase the efficiency of the state of California in delivering services to stakeholders and clarify the minimum number of hours that may be certified for POST approved courses. It will aid POST staff that certifies courses by clearly stating the minimum number of certified hours by regulation and is instructive to any course presenter as to what the minimum number of hours that may be submitted for potential certification . Thus, the law enforcement standards are maintained and effective in preserving peace, protection of public health, safety, and welfare of California. The proposed amendments will have no impact on worker safety or the State's environment.

During the process of developing these regulations and amendments, POST has conducted a search of any similar regulations on this topic and has concluded that these regulations are neither inconsistent nor incompatible with existing state regulations.

Economic Impact Analysis

Impact of Jobs/New Business:

The Commission on POST sets law enforcement selection and training standards for its member law enforcement agencies. Participation in POST programs, and adherence to POST regulations, is voluntary and limited to law enforcement agencies that are governmental entities. The proposed regulatory revisions will neither create nor eliminate jobs in the State of California nor result in the elimination of existing businesses or create or expand businesses in the State of California.

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Benefits of the Regulation:

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